

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE

DOCKET NO. 2019-224-E and 2019-225-E ORDER NO. 2020-89-H

SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER: David Butler

DOCKET DESCRIPTION:

South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (House Bill 3659) Proceeding Related to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-37-40 and Integrated Resource Plans for Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC

South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (House Bill 3659) Proceeding Related to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-37-40 and Integrated Resource Plans for Duke Energy Progress, LLC

MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:

Responses and Comments to Proposed Procedural Schedule

CHIEF HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:

To the Parties in the Two Duke IRP Proceedings:

As you all may recall, I have been appointed as Hearing Officer to work with the parties to establish a procedural schedule in the above-noted Dockets. It is my belief that it is always helpful to start with a suggested procedural schedule for discussion purposes. So, for this reason, I am outlining a proposed procedural schedule below for your consideration and comment. This is based on the assumption that the Order Due Date after review will be June 28, 2021. This is derived by counting 300 days from the filing of the IRPs for review. I am also assuming that the two IRPs for the two companies will be considered at the same time. Accordingly, the proposed schedule is as follows:

**Direct Testimony and Exhibits for DEC and DEP will be due on January 8, 2021;
All Other Parties Direct Testimony and Exhibits will be due on February 15, 2021;
DEC and DEP Rebuttal Testimony and Exhibits will be due on March 15, 2021;
All Other Parties Surrebuttal Testimony and Exhibits will be due on March 29, 2021.**

A hearing would begin at the Commission on April 5, 2021.

Proposed Orders would be due on May 7, 2021.

Commission could vote on May 19, 2021.

Final Order would be due on June 28, 2021.

Written Responses and/or Comments regarding this proposal are due by the close of business on Monday, September 28, 2020. This ends the Chief Hearing Officer's Directive.